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HOUSE SPEAKER MARCO RUBIO ANNOUNCES COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

TALLAHASSEE – Speaker of the Florida House of Representatives Marco Rubio announced today the House's chairs, vice-chairs and committee members.

"The committee assignments announced today are in keeping with our desire to transform the Florida House into a laboratory of ideas which benefits all Floridians," said Speaker Rubio. "The men and women chosen to serve on House committees today are knowledgeable, experienced, hardworking and dedicated. But most importantly, they have proven through their service that they are unafraid to pursue big ideas to improve our state."

"Speaker Rubio deserves credit for his follow-through," said Minority Leader Dan Gelber. "Just as he promised, for the first time the minority party will have ranking members playing meaningful roles on committees. Those Democratic members will also be placed in council suites so that they can participate fully in the committee process. He also accepted our recommendations for committee appointments without a single objection. These are not token gestures but real reform. I believe Speaker Rubio's respect of the voice of the minority party will benefit this process and ultimately the citizens of our state."

The new House structure includes 9 councils containing 28 committees. There are also five joint committees to which both the House and Senate appoint members. In general, the membership of each House committee is proportional to the party representation within the House.

"Speaker Rubio has put governing and the pursuit of good ideas above all else," said Majority Leader Marty Bowen. "During my time in the House, no Speaker has involved his leadership team to a greater degree than Speaker Rubio."

"Council chairs worked closely with one another to determine who best could serve as chair and vice-chair on each committee, and each one put forward their recommendations for consideration. Every member of the House leadership, including the minority's leadership, was involved and their input valued throughout the decision-making process. It was a very democratic selection process," added Leader Bowen.

The attached document contains a full listing of council and committee appointments. The list will also be available via www.MyFloridaHouse.gov after 5 p.m. today.

Schools & Learning Council

Group: A

Chair: Joe Pickens (R-21)

Vice Chair: Anthony Traviesa (R-56)

Thad Altman (R-30)

Marti Coley (R-7)

Anitere Flores (R-114)

John Legg *(R-46)*

Seth McKeel (R-63)

David Mealor (R-34)

William Proctor (R-20)

David Simmons (R-37)

Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall (D-109)

Bill Heller (D-52)

Martin Kiar (D-97)

Janet Long (D-51)

Shelley Vana (D-85)

Committee on 21st Century Competitiveness

Group: A

Chair: David Simmons (R-37)

Vice Chair: Seth McKeel (R-63)

Faye Culp (R-57)

Dick Kravitz (R-19)

Stephen Precourt (R-41)

Anthony Traviesa (R-56)

Joseph Gibbons (D-105)

Martin Kiar (D-97)

Rick Kriseman (D-53)

Committee on Education Innovation & Career Preparation

Group: A

Chair: Thad Altman (R-30)

Vice Chair: John Legg (R-46)

Kevin Ambler (R-47)

Frank Attkisson (R-79)

Marcelo Llorente (R-116)

Mitch Needelman (R-31)

Janet Long (D-51)

Betty Reed (D-59)

Perry Thurston (D-93)

Committee on K-12

Group: A

Chair: Anitere Flores (R-114)

Vice Chair: Marti Coley (R-7)

Bob Allen (R-32)
Gary Aubuchon (R-74)
Will Kendrick (R-IO)

Garrett Richter (R-76)

Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall (D-109)

Curtis Richardson (D-8)

Shelley Vana (D-85)

Committee on Postsecondary Education

Chair: David Mealor (R-34)

Vice Chair: William Proctor (R-20)

Group: A

Dorothy Hukill (R-28)

Peter Nehr (R-48)

Pat Patterson (R-26)

Baxter Troutman (R-66)

Bill Heller (D-52)

Evan Jenne (D-IO0)

Geraldine Thompson (D-39)

Healthcare Council

Group: A

Chair: Aaron Bean (R-12)

Vice Chair: Juan Zapata (R-119)

Thomas Anderson (R-45)

Bill Galvano (R-68)

Rene Garcia (R-110)

Hugh Gibson (R-42)

Gayle Harrell (Ro81)

D. Alan Hays (R-25)

Ed Hooper (R-50)

Jimmy Patronis (R-6)

Loranne Ausley (D-9)

Ari Porth (D-96)

Elaine Schwartz (D-99)

Kelly Skidmore (D-90)

Priscilla Taylor (D-84)

Committee on Health Innovation

Group: A

Chair: Rene Garcia (R-110)

Vice Chair: Jimmy Patronis (R-6)

Jim Frishe (R-54)

Eduardo Gonzalez (R-102)
Ed Homan (R-60)
Will Weatherford (R-61)

Ari Porth (D-96)

Maria Lorts Sachs (D-86)

Franklin Sands (D-98)

Committee on Health Quality

Chair: Gayle Harrell (R-81)

Vice Chair: D. Alan Hays (R-25)

Group: A

Doug Holder (R-70)

Paige Kreegel (R-72)

Julio Robaina (R-117)

Robert Schenck (R-44)

Debbie Boyd (D-11)

Audrey Gibson (D-15)

Kelly Skidmore (D-90)

Committee on Healthy Famillies

Chair: Bill Galvano (R-68)

Vice Chair: Ed Hooper (R-50)

Group: A

Michael Grant (R-71)

Denise Grimsley (R-77)

John Quinones (R-49)

Nicholas Thompson (R-73)

Susan Bucher (D-88)
Yolly Roberson (D-104)
Priscilla Taylor (D-84)

Committee on Healthy Seniors

Group: A

Chair: Hugh Gibson (R-42)

Vice Chair: Thomas Anderson (R-45)

Richard Glorioso (R-62)

Juan-Carlos Planas (R-115)

Ron Reagan (R-67)

Trudi Williams (R-75)

Richard Machek (D-78)

Elaine Schwartz (D-99)

James Waldman (D-95)

Safety & Security Council

Chair: Anna Benson (R-3)

Vice Chair: Charles Dean (R-43)

Group: B

Sandra Adams (R-33)

Jim Frishe (R-54)

Dorothy Hukill (R-28)

Marcelo Llorente (R-116)

Mark Mahon (R-16)

Mitch Needelman (R-31)

William Snyder (R-82)

Nicholas Thompson (R-73)

Luis Garcia (D-107)

Frank Peterman (D-55)

Yolly Roberson (D-104)

Maria Lorts Sachs (D-86)

Perry Thurston (D-93)

Committee on Constitution & Civil Law

Group: B

Chair: Marcelo Llorente (R-116)

Vice Chair: Dorothy Hukill (R-28)

Anitere Flores (R-114)

David Mealor (R-34)

Ron Reagan (R-67)

David Simmons (R-37)

Maria Lorts Sachs (D-86)

Elaine Schwartz (D-99)

John Seiler (D-92)

Committee on Courts

Group: B

Chair: Mark Mahon (R-16)

Vice Chair: Jim Frishe (R-54)

Kevin Ambler (R-47)

John Quinones (R-49)

Curtis Richardson (D-8)

Perry Thurston (D-93)

Committee on Homeland Security & Public Safety

Group: B

Chair: Sandra Adams (R-33)

Vice Chair: William Snyder (R-82)

Jennifer Carroll (R-13)
Charles Dean (R-43)
Gayle Harrell (R-81)
Dick Kravitz (R-19)

Luis Garcia (D-107)

Evan Jenne (D-IO0)

Ari Porth (D-96)

Committee on Juvenile Justice

Group: B

Chair: Mitch Needelman (R-31)

Vice Chair: Nicholas Thompson (R-73)

Pat Patterson (R-26)

Juan-Carlos Planas (R-115)

Audrey Gibson (D-15)

Wilbert Holloway (D-103)

Frank Peterman (D-55)

Government Efficiency & Accountability Council

Group: B

Chair: Andy Gardiner (R-40)

Vice Chair: Michael Grant (R-71)

Frank Attkisson (R-79)

Carl Domino (R-83)

Greg Evers (R-I)

Eduardo Gonzalez (R-102)

Ed Homan (R-60)

Stan Jordan (R-17)

Julio Robaina (R-117)

Robert Schenck (R-44)

Joseph Gibbons (D-105)

Matthew Meadows (D-94)

Franklin Sands (D-98)

Michael Scionti (D-58)

Geraldine Thompson (D-39)

Committee on Audit & Performance

Group: B

Chair: Ed Homan (R-60)

Vice Chair: Carl Domino (R-83)

D. Alan Hays (R-25)

Dave Murzin (R-2)

Ronald Brise (D-108)

Franklin Sands (D-98)

Committee on Military & Veterans' Affairs

Group: B

Chair: Stan Jordan (R-17)

Vice Chair: Greg Evers (R-I)

Jimmy Patronis (R-6)

William Proctor (R-20)

Janet Long (D-51)

Michael Scionti (D-58)

Committee on State Affairs

Group: B

Chair: Frank Attkisson (R-79)

Vice Chair: Robert Schenck (R-44)

Thomas Anderson (R-45)

Mike Davis (R-101)

Hugh Gibson (R-42)

Ed Hooper (R-50)

Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall (D-109)

Kelly Skidmore (D-90)

Geraldine Thompson (D-39)

Committee on Urban & Local Affairs

Group: B

Chair: Julio Robaina (R-117)

Vice Chair: Eduardo Gonzalez (R-102)

Don Davis (R-18)
Michael Grant (R-71)
John Legg (R-46)
Ralph Poppell (R-29)

Joseph Gibbons (D-105)
Matthew Meadows (D-94)
James Waldman (D-95)

Environment & Natural Resources Council

Group: B

Chair: Stan Mayfield (R-80)

Vice Chair: Baxter Troutman (R-66)

Bob Allen (R-32)

Faye Culp (R-57)

Denise Grimsley (R-77)

Will Kendrick (R-IO)

Paige Kreegel (R-72)

Bryan Nelson (R-38)

Ralph Poppell (R-29)

Trudi Williams (R-75)

Debbie Boyd (D-11)

Mary Brandenburg (D-89)

Rick Kriseman (D-53)

Richard Machek (D-78)

Scott Randolph (D-36)

Committee on Agribusiness

Group: B

Chair: Denise Grimsley (R-77)

Vice Chair: Bryan Nelson (R-38)

Larry Cretul (R-22)

Bill Galvano (R-68)

Carlos Lopez-Cantera (R-113)

Juan Zapata (R-119)

Debbie Boyd (D-11)

Bill Heller (D-52)

Martin Kiar (D-97)

Committee on Conservation & State Lands

Group: B

Chair: Will Kendrick (R-IO)

Vice Chair: Faye Culp (R-57)

Rene Garcia (R-110)

Doug Holder (R-70)

Dennis Ross (R-64)

Will Weatherford (R-61)

Mary Brandenburg (D-89)

Charles Chestnut (D-23)

Richard Machek (D-78)

Committee on Energy

Group: B

Chair: Bob Allen (R-32)

Vice Chair: Paige Kreegel (R-72)

Gary Aubuchon (R-74)

Marti Coley (R-7)

Seth McKeel (R-63)

Stephen Precourt (R-41)

Edward Bullard (D-118)

Terry Fields (D-14)

Rick Kriseman (D-53)

Committee on Environmental Protection

Group: B

Chair: Trudi Williams (R-75)

Vice Chair: Baxter Troutman (R-66)

Thad Altman (R-30)

Peter Nehr (R-48)

Garrett Richter (R-76)

Keith Fitzgerald (D-69)

Scott Randolph (D-36)

Ron Saunders (D-120)

Economic Expansion & Infrastructure Council

Group: C

Chair: Dean Cannon (R-35)

Vice Chair: Dick Kravitz (R-19)

Gary Aubuchon (R-74)

Larry Cretul (R-22)

Don Davis (R-18)

Mike Davis (R-101)

Richard Glorioso (R-62)

Doug Holder (R-70)

Peter Nehr (R-48)

Pat Patterson (R-26)

Susan Bucher (D-88)

Edward Bullard (D-118)

Joyce Cusack (D-27)

Keith Fitzgerald (D-69)

Betty Reed (D-59)

Committee on Economic Development

Group:

Chair: Don Davis (R-18)

Vice Chair: Gary Aubuchon (R-74)

Marti Coley (R-7)
Michael Grant (R-71)
John Legg (R-46)

Seth McKeel (R-63)

Frank Peterman (D-55)

Ari Porth (D-96)

Betty Reed (D-59)

Committee on Ethics & Elections

Group: C

Chair: Pat Patterson (R-26)

Vice Chair: Peter Nehr (R-48)

Sandra Adams (R-33)

Mark Mahon (R-16)

David Mealor (R-34)

Trudi Williams (R-75)

Loranne Ausley (D-9)

Keith Fitzgerald (D-69)

Elaine Schwartz (D-99)

Committee on Infrastructure

Chair: Mike Davis (R-101)

Vice Chair: Richard Glorioso (R-62)

Group: C

Greg Evers (R-I)

Ed Hooper (R-50)

Jimmy Patronis (R-6)

Nicholas Thompson (R-73)

Susan Bucher (D-88)

Scott Randolph (D-36)

Michael Scionti (D-58)

Committee on Tourism & Trade

Group: C

Chair: Larry Cretul (R-22)

Vice Chair: Doug Holder (R-70)

Faye Culp (R-57)

John Quinones (R-49)

Edward Bullard (D-118)

Luis Garcia (D-107)

Jobs & Entrepreneurship Council

Group:

Chair: Donald Brown (R-5)

Vice (3hair: Ron Reagan (R-67)

Jennifer Carroll (R-13)

Carlos Lopez-Cantera (R-113)

Dave Murzin (R-2)

Ralph Poppell (R-29)

Stephen Precourt (R-41)

Garrett Richter (R-76)

Dennis Ross (R-64)

Anthony Traviesa (R-56)

Will Weatherford (R-61)

Ronald Brise (D-108)

Charles Chestnut (D-23)

Terry Fields (D-14)

Wilbert Holloway (D-103)

Curtis Richardson (D-8)

Committee on Business Regulation

Group: C

Chair: Carlos Lopez-Cantera (R-113)

Vice Chair: Stephen Precourt (R-41)

Charles Dean (R-43)

Dorothy Hukill (R-28)

Ron Reagan (R-67)

Baxter Troutman (R-66)

Wilbert Holloway (D-103)

Evan Jenne (D-IO0)

Franklin Sands (D-98)

Committee on Financial Institutions

Group: (3

Chair: Jennifer Carroll (R-13)

Vice Chair: Garrett Richter (R-76)

Thomas Anderson (R-45)

Paige Kreegel (R-72)

Charles Chestnut (D-23)

James Waldman (D-95)

Committee on Insurance

Group: C

Chair: Dennis Ross (R-64)

Vice Chair: Ralph Poppell (R-29)

Carl Domino (R-83)
Eduardo Gonzalez (R-102)
William Proctor (R-20)

Robert Schenck (R-44)

Terry Fields (D-14)
Audrey Gibson (D-15)
Janet Long (D-51)
Priscilla Taylor (D-84)

Committee on Utilities & Telecommunications

Group: C

Chair: Dave Murzin (R-2)

Vice Chair: Will Weatherford (R-61)

Kevin Ambler (R-47)

Anitere Flores (R-114)

Rene Garcia (R-110)

Stan Jordan (R-17)

Mary Brandenburg (D-89)

Ronald Brise (D-108)

Bill Heller (D-52)

Policy & Budget Council

Chair: Ray Sansom (R-4)

Vice Chair: Stan Mayfield (R-80)

Group: D

Aaron Bean (R-12)

Anna Benson (R-3)

Ellyn Setnor Bogdanoff (R-91)

Marsha Bowen (R-65)

Donald Brown (R-5)

Dean Cannon (R-35)

Charles Dean (R-43)

Bill Galvano (R-68)

Andy Gardiner (R-40)

Michael Grant (R-71)

Adam Hasner (R-87)

Dick Kravitz (R-19)

Joe Pickens (R-21)

Ron Reagan (R-67)

David Rivera (R-112)

Anthony Traviesa (R-56)

Baxter Troutman (R-66)

Juan Zapata (R-119)

Loranne Ausley (D-9)

Mary Brandenburg (D-89)

Joyce Cusack (D-27)

Policy & Budget Council

Group: D

Matthew Meadows (D-94)

Curtis Richardson (D-8)

Yolly Roberson (D-104)

Ron Saunders (D-120)

John Seiler (D-92)

Priscilla Taylor (D-84)

Shelley Vana (D-85)

Chair: David Rivera (R-112)

Vice Chair: Marsha Bowen (R-65)

Aaron Bean (R-12)

Anna Benson (R-3)

Ellyn Setnor Bogdanoff (R-91)

Donald Brown (R-5)

Dean Cannon (R-35)

Bill Galvano (R-68)

Andy Gardiner (R-40)

Stan Mayfield (R-80)

Joe Pickens (R-21)

Ray Sansom (R-4)

Joyce Cusack (D-27)

Dan Gelber (D-106)

Joseph Gibbons (D-105)

Audrey Gibson (D-15)

Evan Jenne (D-IO0)

John Seiler (D-92)

Joint Administrative Procedures Committee

Group: F

Chair: John Quinones (R-49)

D. Alan Hays (R-25)

Scott Randolph (D-36)

Joint Committee on Government Accountability

Group: F

Chair: Kevin Ambler (R-47)

Sandra Adams (R-33)

Joint Legislative Auditing Committee

Group: F

Chair: Carl Domino (R-83)

Greg Evers (R-I)

Jim Frishe (R-54)

William Snyder (R-82)

Susan Bucher (D-88)

Joint Legislative Committee on Everglades Oversight

Group: F

Chair: Ralph Poppell (R-29)

Bryan Nelson (R-38)

Martin Kiar (D-97)

Legislative Committee on Intergovernmental Relations Group: F

Chair: Faye Culp (R-57)

Ed Hooper (R-50)

Juan-Carlos Planas (R-115)

James Waldman (D-95)